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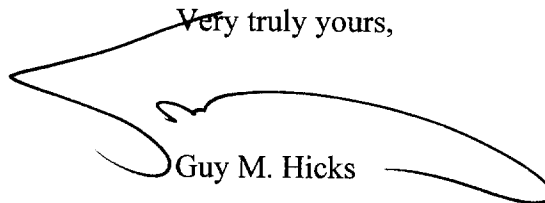
Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
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Nashville, Tennessee 37245

Re: *Petition by ICG TELECOM GROUP, INC. for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*
Docket No. 99-00377

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are an original and 13 copies of BellSouth's late-filed exhibit number 5. BellSouth is providing this information to clarify testimony submitted by ICG as its late-filed exhibit number 5. BellSouth has no objection to ICG filing a response to BellSouth's late-filed exhibit 5 if ICG deems it necessary to do so or if the Authority requests such a response. Copies have been provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,



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BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
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Late Filed Hearing Exhibit No. 5
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REQUEST:

On December 3, 1999, ICG filed Late Filed Exhibit No. 5 as follows: pages 1 and 29-31 of BellSouth witness A. J. Varner's testimony in North Carolina, which was withdrawn in North Carolina after the BFR issue was settled between ICG and BellSouth.

BELLSOUTH RESPONSE:

Upon researching our records, BellSouth discovered that the North Carolina testimony contained erroneous data regarding the total number of BFR/NBR requests submitted to BellSouth during the first nine months of 1998. The system from which these statistics were retrieved is constantly being updated and, as problems are identified, the programmers address and correct them. The problem that caused the incorrect 1998 data is a problem that was corrected by one of the 1999 releases.

In Mr. Coon's testimony on the stand, he stated that "BellSouth in all nine states from all 800 CLECs in the last nine months has had 45 BFRs." (Transcript, pages 182-183). It should be noted that Mr. Coon was addressing BFRs from CLECs in his response; whereas, Mr. Varner in his North Carolina testimony was addressing the TOTAL number of BFRs. As stated above, the number cited in Mr. Varner's North Carolina testimony was incorrect. Mr. Varner was referring to the first nine months of 1998; Mr. Coon was referring to the first nine months of 1999. The actual number of BFR requests received by BellSouth from CLECs during January-September, 1999 is 48 (not 45 as Mr. Coon indicated).

The corrected data for 1998, as well as comparable amounts for 1999 are as follows:

BONA FIDE REQUESTS (BFRs) RECEIVED BY BELLSOUTH

Description	NC Testimony 6/21/99 Docket P-582, Sub 6 Jan - Sept, 1998	Corrected Amounts Jan - Sept, 1998	Comparable Amounts Jan - Sept, 1999
Total BFR/NBR Requests	2,663	364	257
Portion of above for Cellular			
Service and from large Interexchange Carriers	Not specified	353	209
All other including CLECs	Not specified	11	48
Total Requests Implemented	88	83	66

NOTE: Once a BFR/NBR is received, a process of clarification, revision, negotiation, acceptance, approval, development and implementation follows. In many cases during this process, the request is withdrawn.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 7, 2000, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record, via the method indicated:

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